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MIDLAND PHILATELIC FEDERATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Midland Philatelic Federation's Annual General Meeting and Spring Convention will once again be held in conjunction with WORPEX on 12th May 2018 starting at noon. There will be changes in the Committee and please endeavour to ensure that your society is represented at the AGM.

Decisions can be made at an AGM which will impact on all Societies in the Midland Federation and you need to ensure that your society has a voice.

The Convention will feature the annual nine-sheet competition and an entry form will be available on-line shortly and will be mailed separately to all contacts.

Worpex is recognised as one of the biggest and best annual stamp fairs to be held in the Midlands.

WORPEX will be held from 10 am to 4 pm at the PERDISWELL LEISURE CENTRE, Bilford Road, Worcester, WR3 8DX. The site has plenty of free parking and refreshments will be available on site. More information and directions are already on the Worpex website (www.worpex.com).

From the South M5 exit at Junction 6 (Worcester North) take second exit onto A449 Kidderminster for about a mile take exit A4536 Blackpole turn left onto Blackpole Road Follow Worpex direction signs.

From the North M5 exit at Junction 6 (Worcester North) take fourth exit onto A449 Kidderminster for about a mile take exit A4536 Blackpole turn left onto Blackpole Road Follow Worpex direction signs.

From Redditch, Bromsgrove and Droitwitch A38 to Fernhill Heath turn left onto the A4536 Blackpole Road, follow Worpex direction signs.

From Kidderminster / Worcester A449 Worpex direction signs from Ombersley, take the A4536 exit at the junction turn right on to Blackpole Road follow Worpex direction signs.

From the West Tembury Wells, Holt Heath and Ombersley Worpex signs onto A449 Worcester, take the A4536 exit at the junction turn right on to Blackpole Road follow Worpex direction signs.

Alternative route from Evesham, Malvern and Hereford join the M5 at Junction 7 (Worcester South) head north as far as junction 6 (Worcester North) directions for Kidderminster A449, second exit on to A449, then as far as A4536 Blackpole exit turn left onto Blackpole Road follow Worpex direction signs.

The CENTENNIAL PHILATELIC CONGRESS OF GREAT BRITAIN
Thursday 26th July to Sunday 29th July 2018
www.gbcongress.ukwww.abps.org.uk

The 2018 ABPS Congress of Great Britain will be held at the **Jurys Inn, Gateshead Quays**, Gateshead NE8 3AE from **26th to 29th July 2018.**
More details, including the booking form and the provisional programme (which seems to be based around the First World War) are available online at their website or can be obtained from Steven Harrison (sharrison500@btinternet.com).

Peel Trip to London Postal Museum & Oxford

On Wednesday 6th June 2018, The Peel Society are running a trip to the Postal Museum in London with a hour and a half visit to Oxford on the way back either to the Ashmolean Museum or the University Botanical Gardens, the oldest in the United Kingdom or spend time in the city itself.

The coach will leave Lichfield at 7.15 am calling in at Tamworth at 7.30 am and pick up at in Solihull at 8.00 am.

The cost of the trip will be £30 each which includes the group rate admission of £12.50 to the Postal Museum and now famous underground railway journey. This will be your opportunity to ride on the underground like nowhere else in London. This trip will be open to all Philatelic Societies and any other interested parties.

More details can be obtained from Roger Bragger of Solihull Philatelic Society (roger.bragger@sky.com).

SOCIETY REPORTS

BANBURY STAMP SOCIETY

On Tuesday January 16th the Society welcomed Ken Flint as presenter. His subject was Cyprus, and Ken started by explaining how his collection began as a result of visiting the island in 1979 through family connections. As a collector he was drawn in by the sight of a stamp shop and after purchasing Greek material, was also offered some 'under the counter' material in the form of Turkish stamps, along with a warning that he could be deported if caught with the material! Attracted by the designs, Ken continued to collect year packs through the Philatelic Bureau and his presentation was a history of Cyprus as depicted by its stamp issues.

Cypriot history started in the Stone Age, but the discovery of copper gave the country its name and, in Greek times, the cult of Aphrodite arose on the island. The Roman invasion lead to 500 years of relatively peaceful occupation and Paphos has remarkable mosaics which were preserved by earthquakes. In 45AD. Paul converted Paphos to Christianity and the Byzantine churches and their art work were particularly well represented on stamps, covers and maxi-cards. In the 11th Century, Cyprus became bound up with the Crusaders – King Richard I rescued his fiancée Berengaria and married her on Cyprus and a number of crusader castles were built – again, well represented on stamps. Cyprus eventually came under the Ottoman Empire which allowed the church to continue its presence on the island but by 1853, with the agreement of Turkey, Britain took over and continued to administer the colony. Independence in 1960 also gave rise to the US and UK retaining Sovereign Bases on the island.

The second half of the display covered the turmoil since independence, driven loyalties divided between Greece and Turkey. Fighting, civil unrest and interventions from Turkey led to the UN becoming involved as a peace keeping force – a six month mandate in 1964 which is still in place today, 54 years later. In 1974, Turkey invaded the island in order to facilitate a cease fire after an attempted coup by Greek Cypriots and the resultant partition has been in place ever since. Ken's material from the second half included mail from UN soldiers, particularly from Canada, as well as internal mail showing how the Turkish administered area developed its own postal issues and postal service, eventually replacing Greek names for villages with Turkish ones. It was particularly

fascinating to hear from one of our members who had been living in the north of the island when Turkey invaded.

Gareth Williams

HINCKLEY AND DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY

On October 31st Giles du Boulay gave a presentation concentrating on the City of Danzig during the period 1919 – 1939. The display began at the end of World War I with the Treaty of Versailles where Danzig was carved up between the Germans and Poland and made a free city after being part of the German Empire. After the War the Allies effectively split Germany in half with Poland being given the important sea port of Danzig and creating the 'Polish Corridor'. A propaganda war began as the majority of its citizens remained ethnic Germans and mad every attempt to let the Poles know this. The display included rare material consisting of military and commercial mail and explained the effects of inflation, and the postal warfare between the Polish and German postal services which were operating simultaneously.

The second part of the display began during 1934 – 1935 where it was obvious that another war was coming and censorship of the mail started. There was an attack on the Polish Post Office building that was defended by 30 Polish postmen until they were forced to surrender and eventually executed. Events culminated n 1939 when the German battleship 'Schleswig-Holstein' sailed to Danzig on a courtesy visit with a force of hidden Stormtroopers. On September 1st, the battleship moved upstream and positioned itself off the Westerplatte (Polish Garrison) and began the bombardment that signalled the invasion of Poland and the start of the War.

Peter Thomas

On November 7th, John Davies of Banbury stepped in at the last minute as the visiting speaker and he gave a presentation of material relating to the 1890 celebration of 50 years since the issue of the Penny Black in 1840. He explained that his display consisted of exhibition material and ephemera as well as postcards, lettercards and handstamps that were specially produced for the celebrations in London's Guildhall. Ephemera included tickets for those lucky enough to attend and the menus for the official dinner. The display also included official 1d lettercards that sold at 6d each which could be posted in a temporary letter sorting office established at the Guildhall. Of special interest was an example of the red Official Mail Bag labels used to seal the mail bags (only two are known). He also showed one of three known examples of Registered Mail sent from the Guildhall. He also showed examples of postal orders and money orders cancelled with one or more of the special handstamps produced for the event.

In the second half he showed material from the July 1890 Exhibition held at South Kensington Museum. There was again a fully operational post office that used a special pneumatic tube post that cost 1d to send an item – there was an additional

3d to pay if a reply was required. Reply examples are therefore scarce. He also showed a sheet of the 28 postmarks available to be applied to any item that was sold at the Exhibition. A special Jubilee envelope was on sale for one day which was on sale at 1/- and could be purchased in bundles of 10 envelopes with a special wrapper or ten bundles of ten envelopes wrapped in a special wrapper. He also showed pencil drawings, proofs and telegrams exchanged between the designer and Exhibition committee.

Richard Flemming

REDDITCH PHILATELIC SOCIETY

On 19th January there was a visit by Worcester Philatelic and Postcard Society. This interesting evening deserved a bigger audience, as we had such an eclectic mix of subjects.

David Grant started with some important aspects of the history of the RAF, as evidenced by photos, cuttings, letters, leaflets and some Commonwealth stamps bearing images of many an old warplane. The service started life on 1st April 1918 absorbing the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Naval Air Service. New ranks had to be invented from aircraftman to air marshal. In the early days, the RAF employed airships as well as "heavier than air machines", David mentioned the R34, which made an emergency landing in Mineola, Long Island in 1919 carrying the first passengers to land in the USA by air. The focus moved to the pre-war Schneider Trophy races for seaplanes and the emergence of the Supermarine Spitfire, saved by a donation of £100,000 by the philanthropist Lady (Lucy) Houston in 1931. By wartime, most of the production had moved to Castle Bromwich. The rival Hawker Hurricane was developed at Brooklands at Weybridge in Surrey. The first sortie of the war was a recce over Wilhelmshaven on 3rd September, the day Britain joined the war; this was shortly followed by Whitley bombers dropping six million leaflets over Germany. David had some of these on show, in German and English. There was a chart showing details of the 2,140 military aircraft available now, including bi-planes. On to supporting the BEF in France (British Expeditionary Force) and the engagement following the German invasion of Denmark and Norway in 1940. Balloons were widely employed to block low-flying bombers. Autogyros ("a type of rotorcraft that uses an unpowered rotor in autorotation to develop lift, and an engine-powered propeller, similar to that of a fixed-wing aircraft, to provide thrust") were used for coastal work.

Jonathan took us through the life of an issue from start to finish (1896-1902). These attractive definitives of "small queens and large queens" were produced initially for British East Africa, an area of colonisation later to become Kenya. A protectorate was created in 1895 with Mombasa as its capital. We saw die proofs

and colour trials, water marks and many a shade variation and pages of the stamps and postmarks (14 different known). The currency was rupee and annas. The stamps were overprinted for use in Zanzibar and then some Zanzibar stamps were overprinted for use back in "BEA" ("provisionals") in December 1896 when there was a dire shortage of stamps. Other stamps were overprinted for use in Uganda. This was a time of flux in the region with the formation of new colonies. There was a set of stamps featuring the Sultan of Zanzibar, covers illustrating different postage rates for foreign destinations, registered mail, high value revenue and judicial issues. There was ship mail and runner mail and a TPO service (1899).

After the customary tea break, Jim Grey launched an enthusiastic celebration of the life of the famous golfer (1929-2016). Arnold Palmer was born in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, a working-class steel mill town. His dad was the pro and green keeper at the local golf club. After winning the US Amateur in Detroit in 1954 Arnold gave up his job selling paint and went on to win a host of tournaments up to 1970. He was also prominent in establishing golf as TV entertainment. Jim felt that the USA had been mean in the share of commemoratives featuring golf and Arnold Palmer in particular. Bobby Jones and Babe Zaharias appeared in 1981 and Francis Quimet in 1988 and golf is represented in the 1995 sports issue. Arnold Palmer himself does feature on several foreign stamps including Somaliland and Mozambique. Jim also showed magazine articles, a birthday card, the GB golf courses set of 2008 and some cigarette cards. Sam Snead (1912-2002), another golfer was highlighted. He and Arnold had been victorious partners in the Canada Cup in 1960. The display stretched into bizarre links, the letters "PALMER" being enough for Jim, e.g. Palmers Green covers.

John Hodges presented the history of our regiment, illustrated by a remarkable collection of postcards focussing on each of the 18 battalions plus three more of volunteers reserved for home defence. A battalion is a body of men up to 1,000 in wartime, divided into a small number of companies and itself forming part of a brigade. It is the smallest unit with a degree of autonomy. The Worcestershire Regiment dates to 1694 when Colonel Thomas Farrington, an officer of the

Coldstream Guards raised a new regiment in London. It was then the custom for Regiments to be named after their Colonels, and this new Regiment was named Farrington's Regiment of Foot. This method of naming regiments led to confusion, as regiments were re-named with each Colonel, and it was possible for more than one Colonel, and therefore more than one regiment, to have the same name. Until 1751, the Regiment had eight different Colonels, and therefore eight different names. In 1751 regiments were given numbers, and the Regiment was numbered 29." County titles were introduced in 1781.

A second battalion was formed in 1881 and a third in 1900. By 1914 there were eight, the rest were raised in WW1. John mentioned distinctive features of some of the battalions, for instance the 3rd was noted for marksmanship, the 14th were pioneers but not exempt from fighting if required, the 15th was "transport" and the 17th were garrison guards. The volunteer regiments were raised from three Worcestershire towns: Kidderminster, Worcester and Redditch.

My favourite postcard was a cartoon of a startled Kaiser on horseback above the inscription: For goodness sake halt! Der Worcesters are koming. In 1970 the regiment was amalgamated with the Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment) to form the Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment which was, in September 2007, amalgamated with the Cheshire Regiment and the Staffordshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's) to form the Mercian Regiment. This subject could fill an evening. The regiment has a model website providing detailed history of the battalions.

Paul Veal

On 1st June the guest speaker was Richard Wheatley on the subject of Netherlands Postal History. The Dutch East India Company (Vereenigde Oost Indische Compagnie) was originally established as a chartered company in 1602 and is considered to be the first truly international company. Statistically the VOC eclipsed all its rivals in international trade for almost 200 years. The British East India Company its nearest rivals were a distant second. The VOC traded throughout Asia, ships coming from the Netherlands carrying supplies into Batavia from the Netherlands and from VOC settlements in Asia. Richard displayed the postal markings of the VOC which were introduced in 1789. His comprehensive display traced the routes and rates up to 1877 when the colony joined the General Postal Union. Both inland mail and mail overseas were shown

from the period 1789 to 1808 the French period 1808 to 1811 and the British occupation 1811 to 1816. The second half of the evening was devoted to the early stamps of the Dutch East Indies mainly from the period of King Willem III which included colour proofs and post cards. The talking point of the evening was the native runner cover from the dense forests of North West Celebes dated 1938. Postal runners were illiterate so feathers were attached to the item to indicate how urgent the mail was. The one displayed had one feather of each colour which denoted very urgent, to travel day and night. It was signed by the head man of each village along the way and took two days to cover 80 miles.
This was a very interesting display of unusual material from an area of collecting unfamiliar to quite a few of us.

Lyel Swingler

Hinckley and District Philatelic Society will be holding its annual Spring Fair on Sunday, 25th March 2018 from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm at Stoke Golding Club, Hinckley Road, Stoke Golding, CV13 6DZ. Admission is free. Light refreshments available throughout the day. Ample car parking at the club.

For further details contact Richard Flemming on 01455 613826.

CHANGES TO CONTACTS LIST

Please note that the Secretary of the Hinckley & District Philatelic Society, has changed to Peter Thomas (contact by email pethomas46@gmail.com). The previous secretary has passed away so please make this change to avoid distress to his family.

Rugby Stamp & Postcard Fair

Every other month (first or second Thursday) Simon Hemmings runs his own stamp and postcard fair at the Rogers Hall in Deerings Road, Hillmorton - a nice warm hall with good lighting. There are always 6-8 dealers in attendance and usually also the local philatelic society. Admission is free, there is plenty of parking and refreshments are available all day. So, whether you have stamps/postcards to sell, need to buy accessories or are looking to expand your collection, do pay us a visit. The fair takes place between 9.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.

2018 dates are as follows:

Thursdays May 10th, July 5th, September 6th.

Sunday November 25th 2018 in conjunction with the MPF Autumn Convention at the Benn Hall, Newbold Road Rugby CV21 2LN

Plenty of free parking and refreshments available.

The **Telford Stamp, Card and Coin Fairs** are held quarterly on the second Saturday of January, April, July and October each year and are held in the Belmont Community Hall, adjacent to the Tan Bank Car Park in Wellington Centre, Telford, TF1 1LU.
The fairs are organised by Telford Philatelic Society. Entry is free and the fairs are open from 10 am to 3 pm. Free parking is adjacent to the hall. Both train and bus stations are nearby for those who cannot travel by car.
If there are any dealers out there who wish to have a table at this well-attended fair then contact Bob Pilkington, Tele: 01299-211737. Email: sbpilkington02@outlook.com.

Next Fairs
2018 – April 14th; July 14th; October 13th

KETTERING
Stamp and Philatelic Society
STAMP FAIR
Saturday 14th APRIL 2018
10:00 am – 4:00 pm
ISE LODGE
COMMUNITY CENTRE
St. Vincent's Avenue
KETTERING
NN15 5DR
Stamps / Collections /Covers
Postal History / Accessories.
Free Entry, Free Car Parking.
Refreshments.
Easy access from the A14.
Junction 10 (A6) to Wicksteed Park then via Windmill Avenue and Deeble Road to St. Vincent's Avenue.

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Redditch Philatelic Society is holding its 500 plus-lot annual stamp and postcard auction on **SATURDAY 17th MARCH 2018**. The auction is being at held at St Luke's Memorial Hall, Evesham Road, Headless Cross, Redditch B97 4JX. Viewing is from 10.30am until 12.45pm and the auction starts at 1.00pm. As usual a range of sandwiches, cakes as well as drinks are available all day. A copy of the catalogue (as a PDF) has been sent along with this issue of the New Midlander.

Alan Godfrey

SOCIETY DIARY

March 1st	TBA	Alan Godfrey	Northampton
March 1st	Show and Tell	Members	Redditch
March 2nd	Visit from Alfreton P.S.		Nottingham
March 3rd	Annual Auction	Members	Nottingham
March 5th	Annual Competitions / Members' Display	Members	Gloucetershire
March 5th	An Evening of George VI	Bryan Jones	Evesham
March 6th	Brazil Postal History	David Gough	South Birmingham
March 6th	Another Bloody Railway – Part 2	Peter Pugh	Coventry
March 6th	The Life and Times of Winston Churchill	S Moorcroft	Solihull
March 6th	Society Annual Dinner	Members	Banbury
March 6th	One to Eighteen Sheets or 40p	Members	Hinckley
March 6th	Animal, Vegetable and Mineral	Members	Sutton Coldfield (morning)
March 7th	Great Britain – Four Kings	Carlton Jones	Hereford
March 7th	The Yorkshire Dales	Clive Jones	Leamington
March 7th	Chairman's Night		Stroud
March 8th	Manchester Postal History	R Neale	Loughborough
March 8th	Up to 16 Sheets – "Shipping"	Members	Solihull (morning)
March 8th	Old Birmingham	Marian Baxter	Birmingham (afternoon)
March 8th	Luxembourg	Nick Martin	Radcliffe on Trent
March 8th	Burma - Stamps, Postal History, Forgeries and Revenues	Mike Whittaker	Wombourne
March 12th	Cup Competitions	Members	Rugby
March 12th	Displays - any subject	Members	Telford
March 12th	Austria and Belgium	John Anthony	Aldridge
March 13th	BHS Trophy	Members	South Birmingham
March 13th	Parcel Post	Nick Wraith	Leicester
March 13th	Great Britain – Late Fees	J Tweed	Solihull
March 13th	The Falkland Islands	Alan Godfrey	Dudley
March 13th	St Vincent - Pre-stamp to Independence	Terry Harrison	Sutton Coldfield
March 14th	St Pierre and Miquelon	Gareth Williams	Shropshire
March 14th	Great Britain Overprints	Brian Lythgoe	Matlock
March 14th	Mountains, Lakes or Rivers	Members	Stratford on Avon
March 15th	Sport on Stamps	Michael Chapling	Coleshill
March 15th	Auction Preview	Members	Redditch
March 16th	Revenues	Ed Hitchings	Nottingham
March 17th	Auction		Redditch
March 19th	Auction		
March 19th	GB Registered Mail	Steve Harrison	South Midlands (afternoon
March 20th	Aspects of India	Terry Hare-Walker	South Birmingham

March 20th	Provisional Great Britain Postal Stationery	John Gledhill	Coventry
March 20th	Great Britain – Early Postal History	Ben Palmer	Solihull
March 20th	Ireland Troubles and Transition 1900-1930	Peter Wood	Banbury
March 20th	French Railway Mail Pot Pourri	Visitor	Stafford
March 20th	Auction and Display	Members	Hinckley
March 21st	Interrupted Mail and other Curiosities	Martin Robinson	Leamington
March 21st	Commonwealth Heyday Slovakia	Tim Kestin Mike Parker	Stroud
March 22nd	Competitions	Members	Birmingham (afternoon)
March 22nd	Burton on Trent Society visit		Loughborough
March 22nd	Bosnia	John Anthony	Wombourne
March 26th	Malta	Colin Searle	Rugby
March 27th	Burma	Mike Whittaker	Solihull
March 27th	Yugoslavia	Peter Barnett	Dudley
March 27th	Why I Collect	Members	Sutton Coldfield
March 28th	President's Night	Sue Thatcher	Shropshire
March 28th	Annual Society Auction	Members	Stratford on Avon
April 3rd	Great Britain – Special Postal Services	Paul Watkins	Solihull
April 3rd	Postal History of the Confederate States of America	John Walker	Banbury
April 3rd	Great Britain / Columbian Airmails and BEA Air Labels - Scilly Islands	Brian Lythgoe	Sutton Coldfield (morning)
April 4th	Members Displays	Members	Hereford
April 4th	'Summer' and Raffle	Members	Leamington
April 4th	Ephemera or Letters 'G', 'H' and 'I'	Members	Birmingham
April 4th	Malaria and Man	Carol Turner	Stroud
April 5th	Competitions	Members	Northampton
April 5th	Three Sheet Competition	Members	Redditch
April 5th	Great Britain - Registered Mail	Steven Harrison	Wombourne
April 6th	TBA		Nottingham
April 9th	Annual General Meeting and Stamp Sort	Members	Aldridge
April 9th	Early Egypt	John Davis	Rugby
April 9th	Auction	Members	Gloucetershire
April 9th	Travelling Post Offices of Great Britain - Part 2	Clive Jones	Telford
April 10th	Canada	Peter White	South Birmingham
April 10th	Jamaica	George Dunbar	Coventry
April 10th	France 1929 - 1979	Mick Bister	Leicester
April 10th	Cinderellas, Fiscals or Revenues	Members	Solihull
April 10th	King George VI - India and States	Mike Whittaker	Dudley
April 10th	Development of Decorative Writing Paper 1780-1900	John Scott	Hinckley
Apr 10th	Travellers' Tales	Members	Sutton Coldfield
April 11th	Annual Competition	Members	Shropshire
April 11th	Harrisons UPU	Roger Badman Barry Evans	Matlock
April 11th	Northamptonshire Miscellany Penguins	Steve Bence Maggie Bence	Stratford on Avon

April 12th	A Dutch Evening	John Jackson	Loughborough
April 12th	Up to 16 Sheets "What the Postman Saw"	Members	Solihull (morning)
April 16th	The Falkland Islands	Alan Godfrey	Evesham
April 16th	Spring in the Air	Members	South Midlands (afternoon
April 17th	Auction	Members	South Birmingham
April 17th	Antarctic Scott and Shackleton Expeditions	T Cornford	Solihull
April 17th	Bosnia Stamps and Postal History	John Anthony	Banbury
April 17th	Great Britain Revenues and Fiscals	Visitor	Stafford
April 18th	Batty about Sweden	Malcolm Batty	Leamington
April 18th	Mauritius	David Gibbon	Stroud
April 19th	Annual General Meeting and Competition Displays - Ken Smith Trophy & Aerophilately	Members	Coleshill
April 19th	Quiz Night	Members	Redditch
April 19th	St Vincent - Pre-stamp to Independence	Terry Harrison	Wombourne
April 20th	Annual General Meeting and One-sheet Display	Members	Nottingham
April 23rd	Annual General Meeting	Members	Rugby
April 24th	Black Edges	Roni Dahaliwal	South Birmingham
April 24th	President's Night	John Dixon	Coventry
April 24th	Annual Dinner	Members	Solihull
April 24th	Annual General Meeting	Members	Dudley
April 24th	Visit from Kettering Philatelic Society		Hinckley
April 24th	25 Years of German Philately	John Barker	Sutton Coldfield
April 25th	A History of Hungarian Philately	David Williams	Shropshire
April 25th	Chairman's Evening		Stratford on Avon
April 26th	Five Sheets or Day £1	Members	Loughborough
May 1st	Competition	Members	South Birmingham
May 1st	St Pierre & Miquelon	Gareth Williams	Banbury
May 1st	Worcester Postal History and The Needlemakers of the Arrow Valley	Chris Jackson	Sutton Coldfield (morning)
May 2nd	Visit from Redditch Philatelic Society		Hereford
May 2nd	Annual General Meeting Chairman's Evening	Members David Hutchins	Leamington
May 2nd	Questions and Answers	Andrew McGavin UPA Auctions	Stroud
May 3rd	Rugby P.S. Entertains		Northampton
May 3rd	An Evening in Brazil	Janet & Nick Nelson	Redditch
May 3rd	Annual General Meeting / Table Top Sale	Members	Wombourne